Corruption in road construction work

†1312. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that rampant corruption has been reported in road construction work in the country;

(b) if so, whether Government have ascertained the facts after examining these cases;

(c) if so, the facts revealed thereof; and

(d) the effective steps taken to check such irregularities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Maintenance during four-laning of Roads

†1313. SHRI KRISHAN LAL BALMIKI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a clear policy is being formulated by Government with regard to maintenance during the period of construction of four-lane roads by the National Highways Authority of India (NHA1);

(b) whether urban areas of Udaipur and Kota-Barran section at NH-76, and Mahua town area and Bharatpur at NH-II are being maintained by National Highways Authority of India; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Wherever 4/61aning works under National Highways Development Project (NHDP) are under implementation, the maintenance of existing roads are carried out by the Contractor/Concessionaire as part of their obligations under contract/concession agreement to keep the existing roads in traffic worthy condition.

(b) and (c) The urban cities of Udaipur, Kota-Baran Section of NH-76, Bharatpur and Mahua are being maintained by National Highways Authority of India in traffic worthy condition.

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